

RACIAL PROFILING DATA/2001

**Agency: Town and Country Police Dept.**

**Population: 8,786**

age 16 and over

KEY INDICATORS	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Stops	8876	7520	975	90	202	23	66
Searches	792	636	132	17	5	0	2
Arrests	737	591	124	16	4	0	2
Statewide population %	N/A	85.24	10.25	1.85	1.17	0.41	1.08
Local population %	N/A	89.51	1.98	1.02	6.50	0.03	0.96
Disparity index	N/A	0.95	5.55	0.99	0.35	7.59	0.78
Search rate	8.92	8.46	13.54	18.89	2.48	0.00	3.03
Contraband hit rate	10.86	10.69	12.12	11.76	0.00	#Error	0.00
Arrest rate	8.30	7.86	12.72	17.78	1.98	0.00	3.03

**Notes:** Population figures are from the 2000 Census for persons 16 years of age and older who designated a single race. Hispanics may be of any race. Other includes persons of mixed race and unknown race.

Disparity index = (proportion of stops / proportion of population). A value of 1 represents no disparity; values greater than 1 indicate over-representation, values less than 1 indicate under-representation.

Search rate = (searches / stops) X 100.

Contraband hit rate = (searches with contraband found / total searches) X 100.

Arrest rate = (arrests / stops) X 100.

#Error indicates zero denominator.

TRAFFIC STOP STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Violation leading to stop	Moving	8200	7010	836	78	191	22	63
	Equipment	294	215	64	7	6	1	1
	License	571	432	119	6	9	1	4
Stop outcome	Citation	6058	5205	639	47	115	10	42
	Warning	3175	2614	380	45	94	13	29
Location of stop	Interstate hwy	5487	4645	632	67	100	14	29
	US hwy	316	255	45	4	12	0	0
	State hwy	1674	1408	193	14	47	2	10
	County road	424	378	32	0	8	0	6
	City street	831	726	47	4	29	7	18
	Other	144	108	26	1	6	0	3
Driver gender	Male	5957	5065	611	76	146	13	46
	Female	2919	2455	364	14	56	10	20
Driver age	17 and under	595	551	26	0	13	0	5
	18-29	3628	3034	431	43	82	13	25
	30-39	2056	1710	263	27	43	3	10
	40 and over	2597	2225	255	20	64	7	26

SEARCH STATS		Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Am. Indian	Other
Probable cause/ authority to search	Consent	94	75	18	1	0	0	0
	Inventory	454	374	61	13	4	0	2
	Drug/alcohol odor	73	62	8	2	0	0	1
	Incident to arrest	535	428	90	12	4	0	1
	Plain view contraband	12	11	1	0	0	0	0
	Reasonable suspicion-weapon	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
	Drug-dog alert	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	16	14	2	0	0	0	0
What searched	Driver	713	567	122	17	5	0	2
	Car/property	736	592	122	16	4	0	2
Search duration	0-15 minutes	759	607	128	17	5	0	2
	16-30 minutes	30	26	4	0	0	0	0
	31+ minutes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra-band found	Drugs/alcohol	50	39	11	0	0	0	0
	Currency	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
	Weapon	4	2	2	0	0	0	0
	Stolen property	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
	Other	31	29	0	2	0	0	0
Arrest charge	Outstanding warrant	170	96	71	2	1	0	0
	Drug violation	25	19	6	0	0	0	0
	Resist arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Offense against person	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	DWI/BAC	447	408	25	10	2	0	2
	Property offense	0	0		0	0	0	0
	Other	154	97	51	4	2	0	0

## Agency response

Three major highways, two federal and one state, crisscross Town and Country and carry an estimated 400,000 plus vehicles through our community daily. The intersection of I-64 and I-270, located within the city, is reported to be the second or third busiest intersection in the state. Analysis shows that the overwhelming majority of the department's traffic enforcement occurs on the three referenced major highway systems, and that the city's residential population is in the minority in comparison to others traveling through, visiting, worshiping or working within its boundaries. It can be reasonably concluded that the racial makeup of those utilizing these highways is more proportionate to a combination of state, county and St. Louis City population and associated ratios than to the city of Town and Country proper. Therefore, it is our belief that the city's traffic enforcement activities are in harmony with both the provisions and intent of the state's Racial Profiling Law requiring that vehicle stops be proportionate to the population groups residing or traveling within its jurisdiction.